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Response Under 37 CFR §1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 2672

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
YOSHINOBU SHIRAIWA, et al.)
Application No.: 09/111,731)
Filed: July 8, 1998)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING)
APPARATUS, METHOD AND)
RECORDING MEDIUM)
THEREFOR)
Examiner: M. Good-Johnson
Group Art Unit: 2672
May 30, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2000 for three months from March 5, 2001 to June 5, 2001.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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